

## Monument Listing Names of the Members of the First General Assembly Transcription (p. 1 of 2)

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Monument to the Members of the First General Assembly  
In Honour of the First General Assembly of Virginia

Here on the thirtieth day of July A.D. 1619 summoned by Sir George Yeardley Governor General of Virginia under authority from the London Company, pursuant to the charter granted by King James I, was convened in the church at Jamestown the first General Assembly of Virginia.

This Assembly composed of the governor, the Council of State and two burgesses elected by the people from each of the eleven plantations was the beginning of representative government in the colonies of England and laid the foundation of the liberties of America.

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Also  
In honour of  
Sir George Yeardley, Governor General,  
Sir Edwin Sandys,  
Treasurer of the London Company  
And  
Henry, Earl of Southampton, his successor  
For their distinguished services in obtaining for  
The colony of Virginia  
The Ordinance and Constitution of Government  
Dated November 18, 1618,  
Under authority whereof the first  
General Assembly of Virginia  
Was here held  
July 30, 1619.  
Dedicated by the  
Norfolk Branch  
Of the  
Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities  
July 30, 1907.

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The Councell of Estate  
Capt. Francis West    Master John Rolfe  
Capt. Nathaniel Powell    Revd William Wickham  
Master John Pory    Master Samuel Maddock  
The Burgesses  
For James Citty  
Captain William Powell    Ensigne William Spense  
For Charles Citty  
Samuel Sharpe    Samuel Jordan  
For the City of Henricus  
Thomas Dowse    John Polentine  
For Kiccowtan  
Captaine William Tucker    William Capp  
For Martin Brandon    Captain John Brandon's Plantation  
Mr. Thomas Davis    Mr. Robert Stacy  
For Smythes Hundred  
Capt. Thomas Graves    Mr. Walter Shelley  
For Martin's Hundred  
Mr. John Boys    John Jackson  
For Argall's Gifte  
Mr. Pawlett    Mr. Gourgainy  
For Flowerdieu Hundred  
Ensigne Edmund Rossingham    Mr. Jefferson  
For Captain Lawne's Plantation  
Captaine Christopher Lawne    Ensigne Washer  
For Captaine Ward's Plantation  
Captaine Ward    Lieutenant Gibbes

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“Sir George Yeardley, the Governour, being sett downe in his accumstomed place, those of the Counsel of Estate sat next to him on both handes, excepe onely the Secretary, then appointed Speaker, who sat right before him, and forasmuche as men's affaires doe little prosper where God's service is neglected, all the burgesses tooke their places in the quire till a prayer was said by Mr. Bucke, the minister, that it would please God to guide and to sancitifie all our proceedings to His owne glory and to the good of this plantation.”

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